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April 3, 2000

Jack Wayne Roberts 355 West 500 South P.O. Box 356 Fillmore, Utah 84631

Re: Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, 3 Guys Gem #1 (#3)

Project, S/027/085, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Thank you for your \$100.00 permit application fee which was received by the Division on March 31, 2000. The application for the proposed 3 Guys Gem #1 (#3) Project, located in the Sections 9 and 10, T16S, R9W, SLBM, Millard County, Utah is now considered complete and in effect. No additional information is required by the Division at this time. You may now commence with your operations as outlined in your notice, provided you have obtained written approval from the BLM to proceed on federal managed lands.

If you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify our office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining notice could take from six to twelve months or longer.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices. Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Approval of mineral exploration or mining operations by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining does not constitute approval to commence operations upon lands under state mineral leases/school sections administered by the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, or federal lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or United States Forest Service (USFS). Before conducting mining operations on these lands, the operator must provide written notification, meet bonding requirements, and obtain written approval from the appropriate agency.

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Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Larry Garahana, BLM, Fillmore FO (UTU-078271)

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